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For: METHOD FOR BRIDGING CONTROL POINT DATA
FRAMES USING A NETWORK PROCESSOR

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Advisory Action dated January 9, 2004 (Paper No. 10), and the Office Action dated September 22, 2003 (Paper No. 8), please consider the amendment and remarks below concerning the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the **LIST OF CLAIMS** that begins on page 2.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION begin on page 5.

REMARKS begin on page 6 of this paper.